Export of Meat and Meat Products to Russia

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India eyes Russian market for exporting its meat and meat products;

(b) whether any negotiations have taken place at the official or at the trade level; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) A proposal to export buffalo meat is at a preliminary stage of discussion. Details of veterinary conditions are yet to be worked out mutually, before final negotiations for export of buffalo meat to Russia can take place.

Yield of Foodgrains

4686. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the average yield of foodgrains per acre/un-irrigated, state-wise and irrigated, land-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to popularize intensive agriculture on small holdings; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The estimated state-wise average yield of foodgrains during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-01 is given in the enclosed statement. *{See* below). The State-wise estimates of average yield of foodgrains separately for irrigated and unirrigated area are not generated.